



El Dorado County Fair & Event Center
100 Placerville Drive
Placerville, CA 95667

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El Dorado County Fair
OPEN WINE COMPETITION

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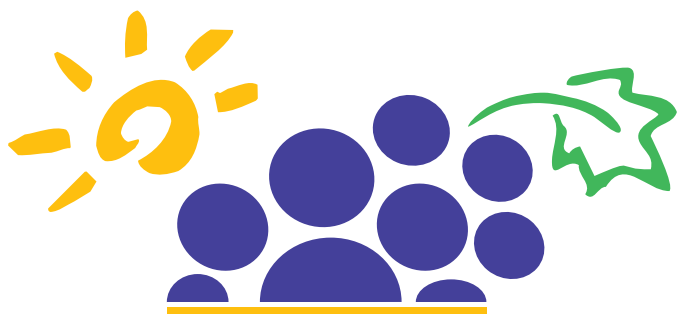
30TH ANNUAL
El Dorado County Fair
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Entries due on or before May 11

Early Bird by April 13

Questions? Call 530.621.5860



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Sparkling Wines

1. Traditional (*Brut, Blanc de Blancs, Blanc de Noirs*)
2. Other Sparkling (*Fruit, Moscato, etc.*)

White Wines

3. Sauvignon Blanc
4. Pinot Gris/Pinot Grigio
5. Chardonnay \$16.00 and under
6. Chardonnay \$16.01 and higher
7. Riesling
8. Viognier
9. Marsanne/Roussane
10. Semillon
11. Chenin Blanc
12. Other White Rhone Varietals
13. White Rhone Blend – 70%
14. Other Varietal White Wines (*please specify*)
15. White Blends (*please specify*)

Non-Grape Fruit Wines

16. Any Wine (*please specify fruit*)

Rosé Wines

17. Rhone Rosé
18. Dry Rosé - .9% RS or lower
19. Rosé -1% RS or higher

Rhone Wine Description

Wines entered in these categories must contain 70% of one or more of the following Rhone Cepage:

Syrah	Roussane	Mourvedre
Cinsault	Grenache	Muscardin
Counoise	Bourboulenc	Marsanne
Vaccarese	Viognier	Clairette
Terret Noir	Petite Sirah	Carignane

Red Wines

20. Pinot Noir
21. Zinfandel \$15.00 & under
22. Zinfandel \$15.01 to \$25.00
23. Zinfandel \$25.01 & higher
24. Old Vine Zinfandel
25. Primitivo
26. Sangiovese
27. Barbera \$20.00 & under
28. Barbera \$20.01 & higher
29. Nebbiolo
30. Italian Red Blends or other Italian Red Varietals – 70% (*please specify*)
31. Syrah \$22.00 & under
32. Syrah \$22.01 to \$27.00
33. Syrah \$27.01 & higher
34. Petite Sirah \$20.00 & under
35. Petite Sirah \$20.01 to \$25.00
36. Petite Sirah \$25.01 & higher
37. Mourvèdre
38. Other Red Rhone Varietals
39. Red Rhone Blend – 70%
40. Merlot \$16 & under
41. Merlot \$16.01 & higher
42. Cabernet Sauvignon \$20.00 & under
43. Cabernet Sauvignon \$20.01 to \$30.00
44. Cabernet Sauvignon \$30.01 & higher
45. Cabernet Franc
46. Petit Verdot
47. Malbec
48. Bordeaux Blends
Must be two or more of the following varieties: Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Malbec, Saint Macaire, Gross Verdot and Carménère (please specify)
49. Tempranillo
50. Other Varietal Red Wines (*please specify*)
51. Other Red Blends \$15 & under (*please specify*)
52. Other Red Blends \$15.01 & higher (*please specify*)

Sweet Wines

53. White Dessert
54. Red Dessert
55. Port//Fortified Wine
56. Other Dessert (*please specify*)

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Entry forms and wine received at Fair Office:

DUE BY MAY 11, 2018

Monday thru Friday 9am to 4pm

Judging: Friday, May 19 at 10am

**AWARDS PRESENTATION
WITH LIGHT APPETIZERS AND WINE TASTING
FRIDAY, MAY 18 AT 6PM
FOLLOWING JUDGING**

Judging not open to the public

Purchase tickets at Fair office or on entry form
(\$10 per person for participating wineries)

Open to All Commercial Wineries

Thirty prestigious experts from around the country come together to judge these wines each year. Each panel consists of one judge from each industry: Education (winemaker, enologist, professor), Media (newspapers, blogs, radio), Wine Sales (Restaurant, Retail, Hospitality).

No cash awards • Medals only

**Entry fee: \$35 per wine thru May 11 (by fax or mail)
Early bird: \$30 per wine thru April 13**

Entries become the property of El Dorado County Fair and will not be returned. Judges will award Double Gold, Gold, Silver, Bronze, as well as Special Awards (*listed to the right*).

All wines received will be stored in a temperature-controlled room prior to judging.

Wine must be bottled under bond by commercial winery. Entries must be commercially labeled. Barrel samples are **NOT** allowed.

Each entry consists of four (4) bottles of wine (750 ml), five (5) bottles of wine (500 ml), or five (5) bottles of wine (375 ml).

STATE RULES APPLY

100 Placerville Drive, Placerville, CA 95667
Phone: 530-621-5860 • Fax: 530-295-2566
Email: fair@eldoradocountyfair.org

Rules and additional forms are available
at eldoradocountyfair.org/commercial-wine.html

Special Awards

BEST OF SHOW GOLDEN JOHNNY TROPHIES

for the Best of Show red wine,
Best of Show white wine and
Best of Show sweet wine

BEST OF CLASS

awarded to classes with 10 or more entries
that also include a Gold award or higher.

BEST RHONE AWARDS

Best red Rhone and best white Rhone

BEST BARBERA AWARD

BIODYNAMIC, ORGANIC (EARTH FRIENDLY)

Best red wine and best white wine.

FRANK HERBERT MEMORIAL AWARD

A perpetual award, sponsored by the
El Dorado Wine Grape Growers Association,
is offered for the best Zinfandel wine made
from El Dorado or Fairplay appellation Grapes.

EL DORADO WINE GRAPE GROWERS AWARD

A special award, sponsored by the *El Dorado Wine Grape Growers Association* for the best commercial wine produced from El Dorado or Fairplay Appellation grapes. This award will be presented to both the winery and the vineyard.

BEST OF EL DORADO: WINEMAKING

A special award offered for the best wine *produced and bottled* by a winery in El Dorado County.

BEST OF AMADOR: WINEMAKING

A special award offered for the best wine *produced and bottled* by a winery in Amador County.

BEST OF PLACER: WINEMAKING

A special award offered for the best wine *produced and bottled* by a winery in Placer County.

BEST OF LODI: WINEMAKING

A special award offered for the best wine *produced and bottled* by a winery in the Lodi area.

BACK ROOM GOLD AWARDS

Best Zinfandel, best red wine and best white wine awarded by Back Room staff, a true "People's Choice" award.

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Check if new address, email or phone

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Make checks payable to: **El Dorado County Fair Assoc.**
 Deliver wine to: 100 Placerville Drive, Placerville, CA 95667
Include a copy of Entry Form with wine
and/or fax Entry Form to 530-295-2566
 Entry forms and wine received at Fair Office through May 11, 2018
 Monday thru Friday 9am to 4pm

Winery Name _____ Contact Person _____
 Label if different from winery name
 i.e. Gnekow Family Winery ≠ Campus Oaks

Winery Email _____ Mailing Address _____ Phone _____
 City _____ Zip _____ Your Local Newspaper's Email Address _____

If you would like results sent to your distributor(s), please list their email address(es) _____

Office Use Only Entry No.	Earth Friendly wine (check)	Class	Vintage	Variety:	AVA *	Vineyard Designation ie Estate or Vineyard**	Label Name** ie. Private Reserve, Special Selection, etc.	Residual Sugar**	Retail Price

Signature: _____ Title: _____

***MUST BE INCLUDED**
****MUST BE ON LABEL**

Receipt# _____
Date _____

Awards Presentation with light appetizers and wine tasting
 Friday, May 18 at 6pm following judging:
\$10 per person for participating wineries
 (must be purchased by May 14th)

_____ Award Tickets x \$10 = Total \$ _____
 Total Enclosed (Entries plus Awards Presentation Tickets) \$ _____